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which Mr. BRODRICK could have endeavoured to give some important information to the House on what was being done; and most ministers in his place would have been glad of the opportunity. If any member had however gone to the House under the expectation of being enlightened, he must have been grievously disappointed. Amongst other things, Mr. WALTON spoke of the very alarming position in Peking and the disturbed condition of the country, and the very evident anti-foreign feeling exhibited in many places. These offered the Secretary an opportunity for a display of ridicule. Everything was going on in the best possible manner, and if there were any delay at all it was owing to the delay of the British financier, who had obtained concessions through this most active of Governments, but had actually done no work, and the Chinese Government were "justified in requiring that some substantial progress" should be made with what they had already granted before proceeding further. He had the hardihood to deny that British influence had disappeared at Peking, or that the Government had given up any claims they had put forward. As every one of these statements proved untrue, a fact which it did not require the massacres of the next June to prove, it becomes a matter of some interest to enquire how they came to be put forward by a Minister of the Crown in Mr. BRODRICK's position. Were they, in fact, deliberate untruths put forward with the object of deception, or did they on the other hand proceed from true and genuine ignorance of the real position of affairs? There is absolutely no middle alternative, and Mr. BRODRICK must be prepared to accept one or other conclusion. In either case the Minister who uttered them is no longer fit to be entrusted with the important duties of his post. Were this a solitary instance of a deliberate attempt at misrepresentation there would be an opportunity of taking extenuating circumstances into account; but the practice is as old as Lord SALISBURY's administration. Lord SALISBURY has, it is too well-known, peculiar ideas on the subject of China, formed years ago when England was in the ascendant and rather when as yet no other country had stepped into the lists. Then was the time of "buffer" states, and China was to be tickled up as a barrier against Russian encroachment. Hence arose a false system of what was called "strengthening" China to enable her to bear the strain. Had the strengthening been done judiciously much good might have come of it, but unfortunately England has always been represented in China by the feeblest of her sons, and the process evolved consisted in urging China to buy munitions of war, and getting foreign officers to drill her troops; and at the same time flattering the Chinese Government as to its power. At first it was intended that British officers should be placed in charge of these preparations, till at least the Chinese Government was able to walk unassisted, and an admiral, Capt. LANG, was actually placed for a spell in charge of the Chinese navy. But the British Government had taken no precautions to provide against the real weakness of China, her unblushing corruption. Admiral LANG naturally expected the fleet presumed to be under his command to be free of these abuses, and that all ranks would be duly paid, but China nourished no such intentions. We know in China what was the result: from the admiral down to the signal-boy, everyone combined to render command impossible, and the result was that Admiral LANG, unsupported by his own Government, and embarrassed in every way by that of China, resigned post he could not retain with honour. By land the results were even worse; a few foreign instructors were engaged, but were placed in such inferior positions that the service soon degenerated, and the pretended officers found themselves mere teachers of drill without position or authority. The import of foreign munitions offered however a profitable field for corruption of the most glaring kind. All of the high officials were more or less besmirched, but the Empress Regent and LI HUNG-CHANG took the leading honours in this contest. As a rule British houses and British manufacturers refused to lend their names to these unscrupulous transactions, but others were not above going shares in the plunder, and by degrees the arms trade passed out of British hands. The explosion came at the outbreak of the war with Japan, when the armaments for which pay had been carefully drawn proved to have no existence except on paper; and the guns turned out to be wood and the powder coal-dust. These facts were perfectly well known to every one except the British Foreign Office, and they might have been as well known within it as outside, but that it was the policy of the day to shut one's eyes. While the other states of Europe were sending their best men out to China the British Office made service in China a disgrace. Peking led nowhere, and to be sent there meant a withdrawal from the round of promotion. We know in China how the Empire was served. If by any chance

a minister did essay to enlighten Lord SALISBURY, he was snubbed for his pains; or in the one case where this was impracticable he was promoted out of the way.

All this, while the source of information was Portland Place, and too frequently the chief spring of Lord SALISBURY's policy was to be found at the same polluted source! If England has been indifferent as to the character and abilities of the representatives she sent to China, China on her side has carefully selected her agents: it was by no means a chance of promotion that LO FENG-LU, the able secretary of LI HUNG-CHANG, was sent to England; nor that WU TING-FANG, formerly better known as the very clever advocate in Hongkong, NG ACHOV, was despatched to Washington. Both were carefully coached in the parts they had to play, and of these the principal one was to insidiously mislead the Prime Minister, rather by false suggestion than actual falsehood. Such at all times have been the arts of a people in decay; and it required little knowledge of history to guard against them. To yield nothing except under actual pressure, to deceive those who were disposed to act a friendly part, and to respect those only who could not be befooled by falsehood and misrepresentation—these have ever been the weapons of a declining state, which has lost its virility. Cunning and treachery come to be regarded as virtues in a moribund state as naturally as ability and magnanimity in a progressive one. These are things that ought to have been known to Lord SALISBURY and his Parliamentary Secretary, and the House of Commons might have been spared the repetition of the paltry subterfuges of a discredited minister like LI and his nominees WU and LO, and the Ministry saved the disgrace of Mr. BRODRICK's inspired utterances.

On Wednesday a Chinaman was observed rushing out of a shop in Queen's Road followed by a shop-man who was calling out "Thieves!" Sergeant Terret secured the runaway, who was yesterday sent to prison for a month for stealing \$1.

Hongkong sportsmen, writes a correspondent, will be glad to know that snipe are simply swarming in the favourite grounds at the back of Macao. No doubt these birds, having read the Macao Government's edict as published in the Official Gazette, have taken up their quarters at the spot mentioned in order to show their grateful appreciation to the Macao Government.

The police caught two more coal-thieves on Wednesday. Sergeant Ritchie was in Praya East, when he noticed a cinder-boat which he suspected had stolen coal on board. He posted a man on shore and then went out in a sampan after the cinder-boat. The latter was occupied by two men, who, seeing that they must needs fall in the hands of the police if they kept in the boat, jumped into the water and endeavoured to escape in that way. They were, however, caught, and yesterday Mr. Hazelton fined each of them \$100, or two months.

In our issue of yesterday appeared a paragraph giving particulars of a plucky rescue from drowning on the part of a European constable whose name we had been unable to find out. No report of the occurrence had been made to the police, but on hearing of the matter Inspector Gauft, of the Water Police, questioned his men, and P. C. Pitt (71) admitted that he was the European constable referred to. He added that he did not consider the matter to be of sufficient importance to report to the station. The constable whose life was saved was injured somewhat by some falling bricks, but he declined to go to the Hospital.

A cowardly attempt to rob an old man was made in a lane off Ship Street on Wednesday night. The old fellow was walking feebly along when a young Chinaman came up to him, put his arm round him, and extracted \$2 from his pocket. As the thief ran away the old man called out and thus attracted the attention of a district watchman, who blew his whistle. A hue and cry was raised, and the thief was ultimately stopped in Praya East by a Portuguese clerk, some of the money being found lying at his feet. The man has only been in the colony for a few days, during which period he has been looting about evidently seeing what he can pick up. Yesterday Mr. Hazelton sentenced him to 14 days' hard labour.

For some reason or other the coolies employed at the China Sugar Refinery have done a lot of quarrelling among themselves recently. They were "fratching" at eight o'clock on Wednesday morning, and kept it up on their going to their quarters at Jardine's Bazaar later on. During a scuffle one man received a scalp wound so severe in nature that he had to be taken to the Hospital. On the police hearing of the occurrence they appeared on the scene and made two arrests. The wounded man told them that another man had also been injured, and on returning to Jardine's Bazaar the police found a man in a state of collapse. He bore no external marks of injury but was evidently in great pain, and had to be taken to the Hospital. At about ten o'clock on Wednesday night Inspector Ford received word from Dr. Bell that the man was in a dangerous state and his depositions had better be taken. Accordingly the Inspector went to the Hospital and the man's depositions were taken. The man said he was injured in the scuffle in his own room. No weapons were used. The man's spleen is injured. Yesterday three men appeared before Mr. Hazelton charged with being concerned in the disturbance and were remanded for a week.

The English mail of the 18th August was delivered in London on the 16th inst.

No cases of plague or death were reported, during the 24 hours ending at noon yesterday.

On Wednesday another matchless fire took place at Kowloon, three matchades at Ma-Ti near Yau-tan, being demolished and damage to the extent of \$200 done.

It is stated that Mr. John Foster, who was recently appointed American Peace Commissioner, is expected here shortly from San Francisco on his way to China.

A report has been received in Japan that seven Russian railway engineers working beyond the Korean border were attacked by the Chinese, and that three of them were killed, the rest escaping to Wu-ju, whence they were sent to Chinkoo.

A number of leading Chinamen in Shanghai have addressed the Municipal Council on the subject of raising a Chinese Volunteer Company. The Council has replied, declining the proposed company with thanks.

The remarkable progress made in the firm of S. C. Farnham & Co., Limited, ship-builders and engineers of Shanghai, is to be seen in the present value of the shares. They originally cost Tls. 100 each, and now they are quoted at Tls. 370, the dividend and bonus for this year being Tls. 30.

Marquis Raggi, the Italian Minister to China, and his wife, arrived at Nagasaki on the 7th instant from Taku on the Italian cruiser *Cabulit*. They were on their way to Tokyo, whether they have proceeded via Kobe. On the 8th Madame de Giers, wife of M. de Giers, the Russia Minister to China, arrived at Nagasaki from Taku on the Russian cruiser *Dmitry Donko*. Madame de Giers will stay at that port for the present.

Mr. R. M. Collins, who described himself as a war correspondent, arrived from the North the other day en route for Manila. On landing he was seen to be in possession of two rifles, one revolver, four swords, and 36 rounds of ammunition. Sergeant Grant accordingly took him to the Central Police Station. Yesterday he appeared before Mr. Hazelton, when he told His Worship that he was taking the arms away as curios. His Worship said he would discharge him, but he would have to confiscate the arms. He had no option, but he recommended the defendant to apply to the Captain Superintendent of Police for them. The defendant did this and got the arms returned to him.

It is to be feared that there is a regular chance this year of the establishment of a regular inter-port cricket contest between Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama, though Kobe is sanguine about the idea. A recent number of the *Kobe Herald* says the Kobe Club is communicating with Shanghai with view of arranging a visit to Japan by a China team—perhaps with members from both Shanghai and Hongkong. It is believed, says our contemporary, that in the present slackness in business' circles in China owing to the disturbances in the north—unfortunate though it be from some points of view—it will not be a great difficulty to arrange for an eleven visiting Japan in October. If the overtures are successful there will be a series of cricket engagements in Kobe which will prolong the occasion into a full "Cricket Week," if not further.

The scheme for the new American shipping line to the Orient, which has been in the air for a few months now, seems to have taken definite shape in articles of incorporation filed last month by the Great Northern Steamship Company with a capital stock of \$6,000,000. The purpose of the company is stated to be the building and operation of steamships on the high seas and other navigable waters. The date of the first annual meeting is fixed for February 1st, in St. Paul, which will be the headquarters of the company. The capital stock is divided into 60,000 shares of \$100 each. The filing fee was over \$3,000. The Hill system at present includes the lake steamship line between Buffalo and Duluth and the Trans-continental railroad. The new company will extend its business to Asia.

A political sensation has been caused in the United States by the public withdrawal from the Bryant ranks of U. S. Senator Wm. M. Stewart of Nevada, who is known throughout America as the father of silver legislation. He is one of the oldest members of the U. S. Senate and has a very large following throughout the country. In 1896, he was Bryan's most powerful backer. In the *San Francisco Chronicle* of August 21st Mr. Stewart forcibly states his reasons for his going over to the Republican party. It makes interesting reading to those here who have closely followed the course of America in the Philippines and shown how the new Asiatic problems are breaking up old parties and smashing ancient doctrines. A résumé of his statement is as follows:—"The war with Spain was a National War during which Mr. Bryan served, as an officer of the U. S. Volunteers. He used his influence after the war to pass the Treaty of Paris which made the U. S. responsible for the Sovereignty of the Philippine Islands. Now he repudiates his own patriotic actions and claims the war was a party war but was evidently in great pain, and had to be taken to the Hospital. At about ten o'clock on Wednesday night Inspector Ford received word from Dr. Bell that the man was in a dangerous state and his depositions had better be taken. Accordingly the Inspector went to the Hospital and the man's depositions were taken. The man said he was injured in the scuffle in his own room. No weapons were used. The man's spleen is injured. Yesterday three men appeared before Mr. Hazelton charged with being concerned in the disturbance and were remanded for a week.

On the 30th March last Mr. WALTON spoke of the general neglect of British interests in China displayed by Her Majesty's Ministers, and asked a few pertinent questions. It was eminently an occasion on

The Russian Government has ordered from a San Francisco firm a large consignment of winter supplies for their troops, and an order has been placed with an outside firm for the supply of 1,200 horses for shipment across the Pacific.

News was received at Nagasaki on the 11th inst. that the O. & O. steamer *Captain* had gone ashore in the Shimonoseki Straits. A subsequent telegram stated that after remaining ashore for two hours, the vessel came off unaided and then resumed her journey to San Francisco.

We call our readers' attention to the notice appearing in another column of the sale by public auction on the 29th inst. by the Bangkok Dock Co. of the steamer *Cape Clear*. The sale takes place on the Company's premises at 4 p.m. Particulars are given in the advertisement.

Sickness is prevalent among the Indian troops at Shanghai owing to the unsanitary condition of their camping grounds. Commenting on the above, the *Union* says: "It seems strange that while German, French and Japanese troops are well housed, our troops have to exist on swampy ground. But it was ever thus."

The British transport No. 8, the *Zibengha*, arrived at Nagasaki on the 11th inst. from Taku. During the day's body of Sikhs dressed in khaki and with peculiar head gear, came ashore and visited the Japanese stores, their dusky faces and tall figures, says the *Press*, exciting the admiration of the Japanese.

The Liverpool shipowners in view of the high price of coal have decided to raise the freights. In this connection the *Times* says that steam coal at Cardiff is practically unobtainable in large quantities. Twenty-eight shillings a ton was being quoted for delivery before September, and it was expected that a little pressure would send the figure up to 30s. Yet it is a fact that the *Samuki Maru* has arrived at Nagasaki with 1,000 tons of Cardiff coal purchased by the Japanese Government in England.

First Chinese Regt., Rank and File, four dead, 7 injured.

1st Sikhs, Rank and File, dead nine, injured two.

7th Bengal Infantry, one man dead, one native officer and two men injured.

## GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 19th September, 8.25 p.m.

## THE FORTHCOMING GENERAL ELECTION.

Mr. Chamberlain declares that the principal issues of the approaching General Election are the merits of the War in South Africa and the nature of the settlement.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 18th September.

## THE POWERS AND CHINA.

Germany in a circular to the Powers considers the delivering up to punishment of the instigators of the outrages a necessary preparation to the opening of negotiations with the Chinese Government, and suggests that the Ministers at Peking be instructed to indicate the persons whose guilt is indisputable, as it is impossible to punish the numberless instruments who executed the outrages and necessary to strike the instigators. Germany is convinced that the Powers will agree to this, since indifference to exacting rightful retribution will be equivalent to indifference to a repetition of the outrages.

## THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

## LOCAL MOVEMENTS.

"H.M.S. Britonart left the harbour for Canton yesterday morning. As the *Argonaut* is still out on a cruise, Hongkong is now left without any man-of-war to protect the harbour until the return of the *Redoubt*, which the *Britonart* believes.

The British transport *Gloucester* arrived yesterday from Calcutta with the 10th Squadron of the Jodhpur Lancers (one hundred and twenty officers, 118 men, and 78 followers), part of the 1st Native Field Hospital; some details of the 34th Pioneers, and the following officers—General H. Pipon, Col. W. Shore, Major J. L. Day, Capt. James and Coxhead, Capt. Sir Pertab Singh, and Lieut. Bing-Bing.

The *Uta* returned from Taku.

The U.S. transport *Meade* left for Manila.

## NEWS VIA JAPAN.

JAPAN TO WITHDRAW FROM PEKING.

As the result of repeated conferences at the official residence of the Prime Minister during the last few days, the Minister of War sent a despatch a few days ago, the *Japan Times* understands, instructing Lieutenant-General Baron Yamaguchi, now in Peking, to send home one brigade, that is, half of the force under him. It is further stated that the Ministers are of opinion that in view of the existing state of things in Peking there will not occur any extensive fighting in China, in the immediate future, at any rate. Even if there should take place some collisions, the allies are no longer in such small force as they were at first and they will be able to meet with emergencies. Under the circumstances the Cabinet considers that there is no reason that Japan alone should keep a large force in the field. In the event, however, of the renewal of hostilities necessitating the despatch of another expedition, the geographical position of Japan will enable her to send

again all the forces required at a short notice, which the other Powers cannot do. The withdrawal, above referred to, will therefore be of a different kind from that proposed by Russia, who proposes to call her troops back only to Tientsin.

## PEKING NEGOTIATIONS.

Telegrams to Tokyo from Japanese correspondents at Shanghai state that the conference at Peking between Prince Ching and the Foreign Representatives proved a failure, owing to the refusal of the Russian Minister and the German Acting Minister to take part in the proceedings. The Russian Minister's refusal was based on the ground that he had been ordered by his home Government to withdraw from the capital, and the acting German Minister declared that no one but Dr. Maximilian von Schwarzenstein, the newly-appointed Minister, then on his way to China, has been authorized to represent the German Government.

Great Britain, it is stated from the same source, has decided to withdraw a portion of her troops from Peking, regardless of the Russian proposals for the evacuation of the city. It is believed that the other Powers, with the exception of Russia, will follow her example.

Prince Ching has been ordered to interview the Foreign Ministers separately instead of meeting them collectively.

## RUSSIA AND CHINA.

There are no signs of the Russian forces preparing to evacuate Peking, but it is stated that the Russian Minister will shortly withdraw from the capital. It is stated that a private understanding has been arrived at between Russia and Viceroy Li Hung-chang, whereby the latter promises to obtain for Russia railway and mining concessions in North China. Russia, on her part, has offered to supply China with a loan for the purpose of releasing China from her financial obligations to Great Britain.

## VICEROY LIU ASKS FOR BRITISH TROOPS.

Viceroy Liu Kung-yi has asked Great Britain to land troops at various towns along the Yangtze, so as to prevent Germany from invading into the Valley.

## THE IMPERIAL COURT.

## LEATHES AND ESCAPES.

According to news received from the North, it would seem that quite a number of the Princes, Dukes and Nobles belonging to the Imperial and the Manchu clans did not after all accompany the Empress Dowager on her flight to the West, some being massacred by Prince Yuan on the charge of intending to betray the Capital to the foreign troops, whilst many escaped to their country estates, North-west of Peking, where they are now supposed to be. The following, says the "N.C. Daily News," is a list of the higher Court officials who either accompanied, or followed, the Empress Dowager to Shanxi, according to a local vernacular paper:—Princes Ching (since left for Peking), Chun, Chang Su, and Yu Yan-ta, 1st Order; Princes Lin and Su, 4th Order; Duke Kuei-fu, further-in-law of Emperor; Hsiau-fu, Yung (descendant of Confucius); Chih, and Lan; the Assistant Grand Secretaries Kang Yi and Wang Wanshi; Chao Shu-chien, President of the Board of Punishments; Ying Nein, Vice-President of the Board of Revenue; several members of the Board of Comptrollers-General of the Imperial Household Department; all of the members of the Imperial College of Physicians and about one-half of the Imperial Bodyguards of the Presence doing duty at the Chien-tung Gate of the Imperial Palace. The following military officers, in command of brigades accompanied the Empress Dowager as escort: General Su Lu-tai (Manchu), with a brigade of the Peking Field Force; Duke Pu, with a brigade of the Huasheng Army Corps (Prince Ts'an's own troops); General Ma, with brigade of General Sung Ching's Army Corps, and General Ts'en, with two brigades of General Tang Fushan's Kuang-ku Army Corps.

Reliable dispatches from the North give the following list of high officials in Peking and elsewhere who have met death, since the troubles up North, either by their own hand, or executed or slain by the enemy's bullets: Yu Lin, Viceroy of Chihli, suicide, after taking of Tientsin by the allies; General Nish, Commander-in-Chief of Chihli provincial forces, slain during taking of Tientsin; Li Ping-chang, notorious High Commissioner of the Yangtze provinces, slain during battle at Hsien-tu; Han Ching-cheng, Yen-ching, Hsi Yung-ji, and Lien Yuan, Ministers of the Lung-tung Chieh, Provincial Treasurer of Chihli, formerly a Boxer chief; Chin Sing, President of the Board of Revenue, Li Shan, Vice-President of the Board of Revenue; Shou Ts'un, Hanlin, Chen Hsiao-chen, Vice-President of the Board of Civil Appointments; and many others, names not mentioned, all of whom, it is said, committed suicide in Peking, and finally the Grand Secretary Hsu Tung, the most conservative of conservatives in Peking, and Hsi Yung, President of the Imperial Academy, suicide with their respective families old and young than residing in the North. With reference to Hsi Tung, who was over 80 years of age, he fled to a country farm-house of his son's 12 miles east of Peking upon the arrival of the Allied troops near the Capital, and upon learning of the flight of the Empress Dowager he committed suicide, accompanied at the same time by his sons, grandsons, and most of their women and children. There are rumors of Hsi Tung having committed suicide in the Wuying Thron-hall, being his keeper, but this is doubtful in the face of late and more reliable news. Wang Yung-ji, the above noted President of the Imperial Academy, committed suicide with his whole family in Peking on the arrival of the Allied troops there, and it is stated that over 200 families of high officials did the same thing at the time.

## DISBANDED TROOPS.

A telegram received in Shanghai on the 13th inst. from Shantung, China province, states that thousands of defeated and disbanded troops belonging to Yung-Lu and other Generals' corps have recently invaded that province, bound either for their homes in the Central and Southern provinces, or seeking a way to join Yung-Lu in Shantung. Wherever these troops have passed they have systematically torn down telegraph poles, devastated, plundered and pillaged, and long lines of burning villages and towns mark their path. Help from Generals in charge of troops en route to rescue the Emperor is urgently needed. Many of the local officials have also disappeared and deserted their posts.

## SUPREME COURT.

SEPTEMBER 20TH.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR T. SERGOMBE SMITH (ACTING PUISINE JUDGE.)

## CLAIM AGAINST A PAWN-SHOP.

Ho To, a married woman residing at No. 20, Gough Street, sought to recover form the Shing Ho Pawn Shop, which carries on business at No. 164, Wellington Street, £600 damage for alleged unlawful detention by the defendant of one case of gold-leaf, three pairs of gold bangles, and one gold chain, alleged to have been pledged by the plaintiff with the defendant.

Mr. M. W. Slade (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. C. Ewen) for the defendant.

Mr. Slade said this was a claim for goods pawned with the defendant, and the defence was practically a denial that the ticket presented was issued by the defendant. The facts were exceedingly simple. On the 27th January last the plaintiff was residing in the house of a friend behind Queen's College. This was just before the Chinese New Year, and she had an invitation to go to Canton to spend the New Year there. Before going she sent her valuables to a pawn-shop for safety, pawning goods of the value of £380.50 for 30 Taels. She sent them by a servant boy named Chan A Kan, who was employed at No. 294, Queen's Road. The address on the pawn-ticket was 260, Wellington Street. It should have been 260, Queen's Road. The plaintiff then went up to Canton, and while there she looked for her pawn-ticket, but could not find it. She thereupon through a friend instructed Mr. S. W. Tao, solicitor, to write claiming the articles she had pawned and saying that she had lost her pawn-ticket. An answer was received from Mr. Ewen, solicitor to the pawn-shop, stating that they did not know any person of the name of Chan A Kan, that the ticket bearing the character stated had been issued by fraud, and that the articles in question had been redeemed. Shortly afterwards the plaintiff found her pawn-ticket and on the 23rd March sent Chan A Yan round to the pawn-shop for her things, but the defendant declined to give up the goods, alleging that they had already been redeemed.

The plaintiff, in her evidence, said she valued the gold-leaf at £300, the bangles at £212, and the gold chain at £85.50—total £480.50. She told Chan A Yan to pawn the things for 30 Taels and he brought her £88.50.

In answer to Mr. Francis the plaintiff said she was a concubine. She got so much for expenses. Sometimes she did not spend it all, and she changed what she had left for gold-leaf.

On the conclusion of the plaintiff's case, Mr. Francis said the case for the defence was extremely simple. The ticket which had been issued by the defendant for the goods, was brought in, carefully examined by the defendant, and the goods were delivered up. In the provisions of Ordinance 3 of 1888, they were bound to deliver the goods to the person presenting the ticket, and they were completely exonerated. The ticket was tendered and the first month's interest taken, and they were bound to deliver to the person holding the ticket, and the defence was that the ticket tendered was the one issued by the defendant.

The further hearing was adjourned until to-morrow.

## V. R. C. AQUATIC SPORTS.

*Umpire.*—Messrs. M. A. A. de Souza and E. D. Sanders.

*Referee.*—Mr. W. Armstrong.

*Start.*—Mr. G. A. Caldwell.

*Official Time-keeper.*—Mr. G. P. Lamert.

*Handicappers.*—Messrs. Thos. Yule and E. M. Hazland.

The annual aquatic sports in connection with the V. R. C. commenced yesterday afternoon, April 1st, respecting the contributions to be made by Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, and Hongkong towards the cost of the Eastern Mail Service, I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to say

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## TEAM RACE.

The following teams had entered:

No. 1 Team. No. 2 Team.

1. R. Lapaley (Capt.) 1. J. H. H. Hance (Capt.)

2. N. H. Alves 2. H. A. Lamert

3. F. D. Bain 3. C. M. S. Alves

4. J. M. Roza Pereira 4. H. Henderson

5. A. Loureiro 5. J. C. Logan

6. F. K. Tata 6. F. W. White

No. 3 Team.

1. Frank Jorge (Capt.)

2. P. Herbst

3. F. M. Roza Pereira

4. M. A. Razick

5. A. J. Mackie

6. O. I. Ellis

No. 2 team came in first.

## HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The following is further correspondence relating to the questions dealt with at the last Monthly Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce:

THE EASTERN MAIL SUBSIDY.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

30th August, 1890.

SIR,

With reference to your letter of the 5th June, 1897, regarding the question of the Colonial contribution to the subsidy for the Eastern Mail Service, I am directed to transmit for the information of the Chamber the enclosed copy of correspondence between the Colonial Office and the Treasury, and a copy of an award which was given by the Earl of Morley as Arbitrator upon the questions which arose as to the proportion of the cost of the service to be borne by the Government of India and the various Colonies interested in proportion to the number of letters sent and received by them. The United Kingdom paying for any letters which it exchanges with other countries.

That the incidental expenses should be divided in the same proportions as the cost of the service, and that the amounts received for sea-postage on foreign mails should be divided between the contributing countries in the proportion which each bears of the cost of the service. In its main principles, this is the mode in which the apportionment has been hitherto adjusted.

6. The Indian Government objects to these proposals on the following grounds:

(a) That the amount (£85,000) appropriated to the Australian service is too small.

(b) That each country should retain its own collection of postage, as they have done since 1891.

(c) That the cost of each of the seven sections into which the Mail route is divided, should be ascertained by dividing the subsidy in proportion to the annual mileage of each section. That one half the cost of the Section should be charged to the United Kingdom, the other half should be paid by India and the various Colonies interested in proportion to the number of letters sent and received by them. The United Kingdom paying for any letters which it exchanges with other countries.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

**G**RAND PROMENADE CONCERT to be held on the PARADE GROUND at HEADQUARTERS on WEDNESDAY, the 26th September, at 9 P.M. Price for Admission \$1. Ladies 50 cents. Soldiers and Sailors and Volunteers in Uniform, 25 cents. Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2471]

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING AND DYEING COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE

**A**N INFORMAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the offices of the General Managers on MONDAY NEXT, the 23rd September, at 4 o'clock, to discuss the financial position of the Company.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2467]

### NOTICE

HONGKONG HOCKEY CLUB.

**T**HE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held (by permission) in the CRICKET CLUB PAVILION on FRIDAY, the 28th September, at 3.30 P.M.

F. B. DEACON,

Hon. Secretary.

H.K.C.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2468]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**S**HAREHOLDERS are reminded that the Premium of \$25.00 per Share of the New Issue of Capital authorised at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 4th May, 1900, is PAYABLE on or before MONDAY, the 1st of October next.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th to 28th September, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2469]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**N**OTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-EVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held at its Head Office, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 11th October, 1900, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statements of Account for the year 1899 and for the half-year ending the 30th June, 1900, and of declaring dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 1st to 11th October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

W. J. SAUNDERS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2470]

### NOTICE OF SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

STEAMSHIP "CAPE CLEAR."

**T**HE BANGKOK DOCK CO., LIMITED, hereby give notice that they will offer for Sale by Public Auction,

on SATURDAY,

the 29th day of September, 1900, at 4 P.M., at the Dock Company's Premises, the S. S. "CAPE CLEAR."

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2486]

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Supreme Court.

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Trial Trip of the ss. "Nanking."

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1900.

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Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [2465]

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A. S. MIHARA,

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Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [2464]

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THE Steamship

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will be despatched for the above port on or about the 6th October, 1900.

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.,

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2472]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEET-

ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices on SATURDAY, the 29th September, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1900.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 29th September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th September, 1900. [2468]

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TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [2461]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 458.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 24th day of SEPTEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.

F. H. MAY,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1900. [2444]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 24th day of SEPTEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Quarry Bay, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 99 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen, for one further term of 99 Years.

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No. of Sale.

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Contents in Square ft.

Annual Rent.

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snapped off, and all masonry buildings were  
levelled. A fault 12 miles long was produced,  
with a maximum throw of more than 30 feet,  
and triangles of the great Trigonometrical  
Survey proved relative changes in the position  
of two hills of as much as 24 feet vertically  
and 12 feet horizontally. Not less than  
30 lakes were formed, the largest a mile  
and a half long and half as wide. River  
channels were narrowed, railways bent into  
sharp curves and bridges destroyed, and there  
were evidences that the whole ground moved in  
a more or less circular track. Water from sand  
vents lasted for half an hour to several hours in  
solid columns 3 feet high, sometimes spouting or  
splashing to 18 or 20 feet. Earthquake sounds  
were very loud and conspicuous. For India a  
uniform propagation at the rate of 3 kilometres  
(1.86 miles) per second is traced, but the  
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LONDON	MALACCA	Brit. str.	-	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 4th Oct.
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NOTICE.

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YOKOHAMA VIA NA.	BONITA	About 20th Sept.	Passing through the Inland.
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Manila	Friday	21st, 5.00 P.M.
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Bangkok	Saturday	22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Swatow	Saturday	22nd, 4.00 P.M.
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Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/11	
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Credits, at 4 months' sight	2.64	
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ON NEW YORK.—	Bank Bills, on demand	50
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Bank, on demand	1541	
ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer	1541
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Private, 30 days' sight	722	
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The N. P. steamer Goodwin sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 18th inst.

The C. P. R. steamer Empress of China left Vancouver for Hongkong via usual ports of call on Tuesday morning, the 11th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N. D. L. steamer Bambury, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 16th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst.

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